





THERE'S
ANOTHER CROWD
OF ANIMALS
FLEEING.

THAT MEANS
I SHOULD GO IN THAT
DIRECTION...

RUMBLE





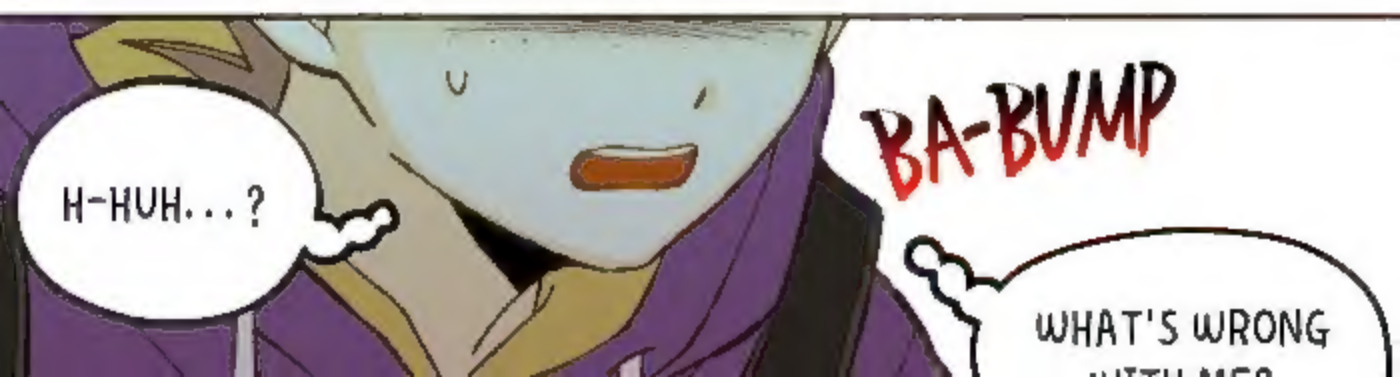


THEY'RE
THE MOUNTAIN
SPIRIT'S SERVANTS,
AREN'T THEY?

IF THEY'RE
HELPING THE ANIMALS
ESCAPE...

RUSTLE

...I'M SURE
THEY KNOW WHERE
THE ORB IS...









HOW TO BECOME A DRAGON

The title is rendered in a playful, hand-drawn style. The word 'HOW' is in a simple blue font. 'TO BECOME' is in a similar blue font. 'A' is a simple blue letter. 'DRAGON' is in a blue font with a scale-like pattern. A small dragon head with a green eye is integrated into the end of the word 'DRAGON'.

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YOU'RE
SERVANTS
OF THE TAEBAEK
MOUNTAIN SPIRIT,
RIGHT?

I HAVE SOME
BUSINESS TO
SEE TO OVER
THERE.







OH, ISN'T
THAT THE HUMAN
WE TREATED
EARLIER?

I GOT
PERMISSION FROM
THE MOUNTAIN
SPIRIT!

HAHA

HERE
ON OFFICIAL
BUSINESS



I GOT THE
GO-AHEAD FROM
YOUR CENTRAL
GOVERNMENT!

IT'S LIKE...
OFFICIAL BUSINESS!

OFFICIAL
BUSINESS, MY
FOOT. WHO SHOWS UP
FOR OFFICIAL BUSINESS
WITHOUT A SEAL OF
APPROVAL?



WE'RE UNDER
DIRECT ORDERS FROM
THE MOUNTAIN
SPIRIT.

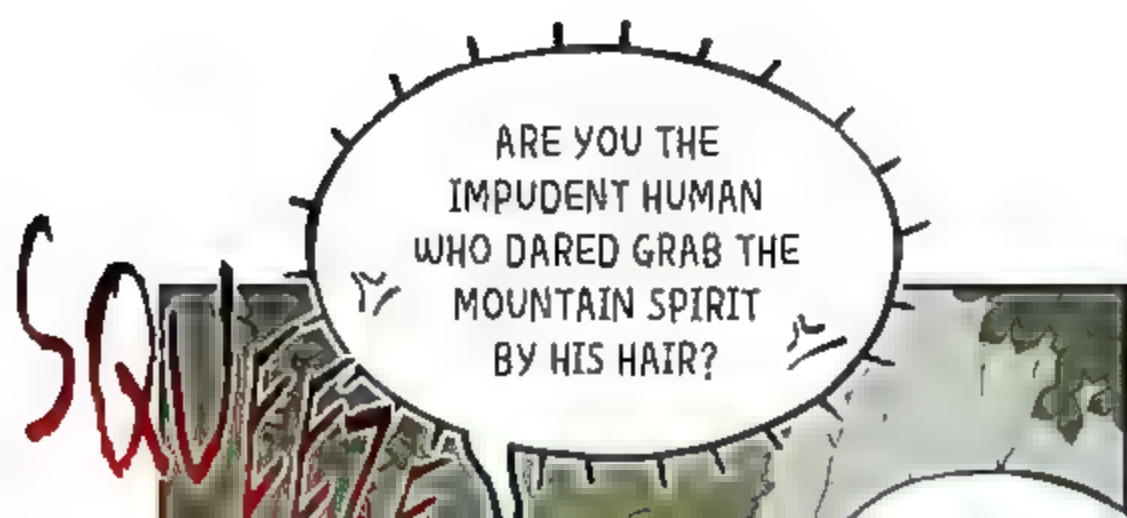
WAIT...!



I DON'T HAVE
A SEAL OF APPROVAL,
BUT I DO HAVE
PROOF...



HERE!





WHERE DO
YOU THINK YOU'RE
GOING?



THIS IS
A DANGEROUS AREA,
SO WE SEALED ALL THE
HOLES AND SET UP
BARRIERS.

y-YOU
SEALED THEM?



THAT'S RIGHT.
THERE WAS NEGATIVE
ENERGY COMING FROM
THEM THAT WAS HARMING
THE CREATURES OF
THE MOUNTAIN.

IT IS
IMPOSSIBLE TO GO
INSIDE NOW.

y-YOU
SEALED UP THAT
ENTIRE SUNKEN
AREA?

ALREADY?

I'M
SCREWED.

THERE WAS
NO REASON FOR
ME TO CALL THE

THEY'VE GOT THE
BIRDS, THEN...

WHAT IF
SOMEONE CRASHED
RIGHT THROUGH
THE ROCKS...?



THIS GUY COULD
PROBABLY DO IT,
RIGHT?

HEY, THERE'S
SOMETHING IN
THIS HUMAN'S
STOMACH.

YOU
STILL HAVEN'T
BURIED HIM?

WHAT'S

IN THERE?

STEP

IT CAN'T BE THAT
IMPORTANT...

THIS HAS...

...THE
SAME ENERGY
AS THE THING WE
SEARCHED FOR

SEALED AWAY
IN THERE.



THIS IS BAD.

...!

THE MOUNTAIN
SPIRIT INSTRUCTED
US TO SEAL AWAY THE
ORB, BUT A PIECE OF
IT STILL REMAINS
OUTSIDE...

T-THAT'S
RIGHT! YOU
CAN'T LEAVE LOOSE

DI APPERING

ENDS LYING
AROUND!

BLADDENING

YOU SHOULD
MAKE SURE THE JOB
IS DONE, EVEN IF IT
MEANS YOU HAVE TO
WORK OVERTIME!

...

...

...

ISN'T YOUR JOB
DONE ONCE YOU SEAL
ME AWAY IN THERE,
TOO?

WE JUST PUT
THE BARRIERS UP...
IT WOULD TAKE FOREVER FOR
US TO TAKE THEM DOWN AND
THEN PUT THEM UP
AGAIN...

WHISPER

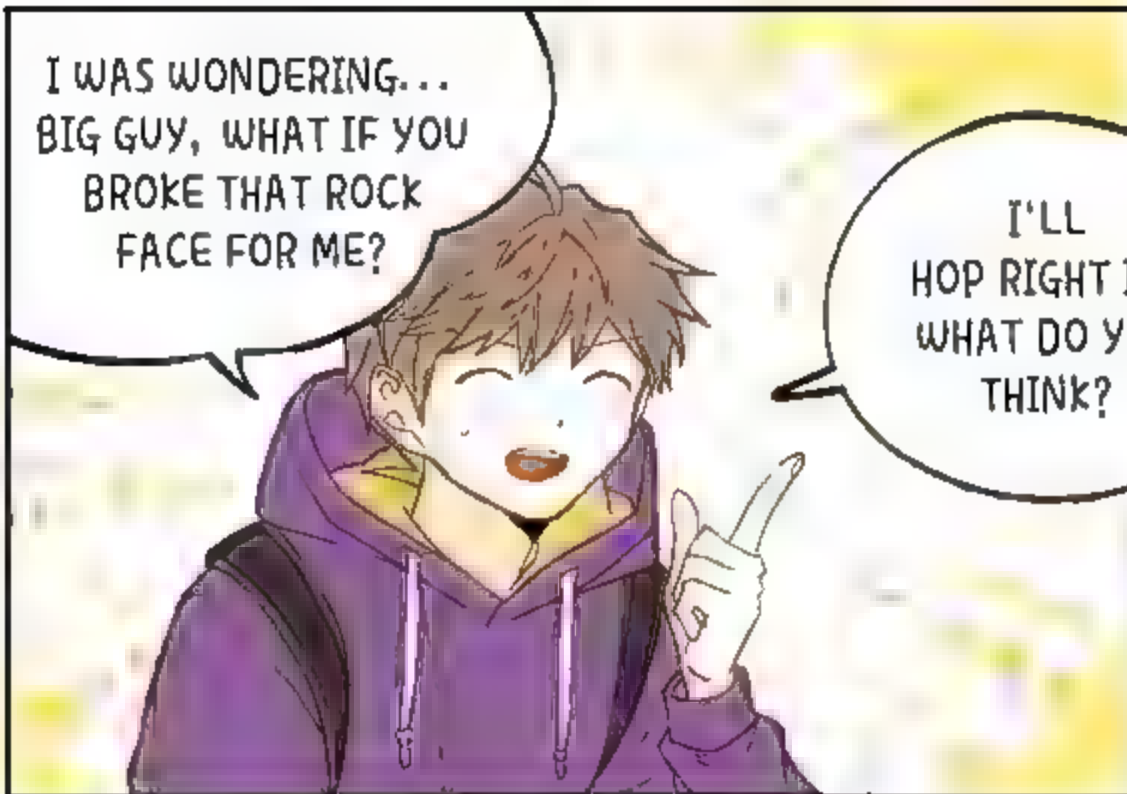
WHISPER

ARE WE
GOING TO DIG UP
ALL THE DIRT
AGAIN?

THAT WILL
TAKE FOREVER



TAKE FOREVER,
TOO.



I WAS WONDERING...
BIG GUY, WHAT IF YOU
BROKE THAT ROCK
FACE FOR ME?

I'LL
HOP RIGHT IN.
WHAT DO YOU
THINK?



DO YOU NOT
UNDERSTAND? WE JUST
SAID THAT WE SET UP
A BARRIER!

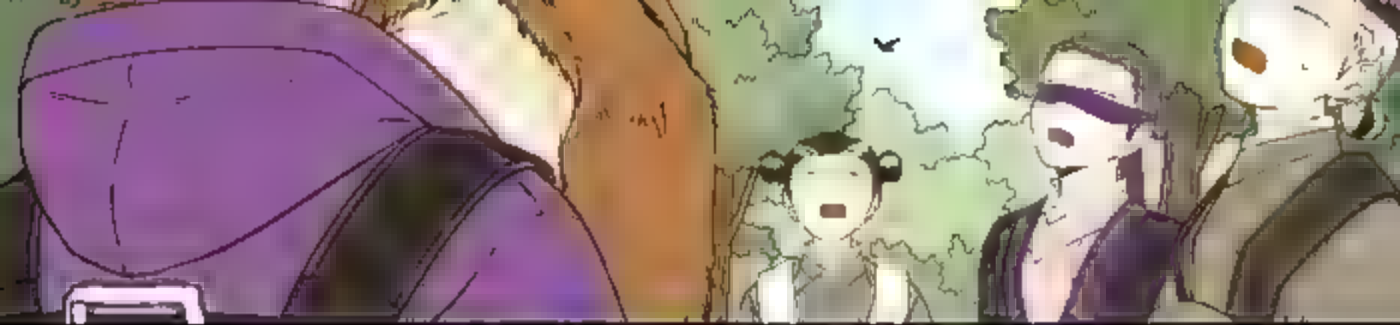
EVEN IF WE
TOOK THE BARRIER
DOWN, HOW WOULD
WE STOP THE TOXIC FUMES
THAT WOULD BE RELEASED
WHEN WE BREAK
THE WALL?

FLAP



THEN...





WHAT
ARE ALL OF THESE
BIRDS DOING
HERE...?

WE TOLD
THEM ALL TO LEAVE
THIS AREA...

BIRDS?
THERE ARE BIRDS
HERE?







PUTTING UP
A BARRIER AND
SEALING THE HOLE
WITH DIRT IS JUST
A TEMPORARY
FIX.



A FIRE
DOESN'T JUST GO
OUT BECAUSE YOU
BURY IT!

IF YOU
DON'T DEAL
WITH IT PROPERLY,
IT'LL STILL KEEP
BURNING.

HOW DARE THIS
HUMAN QUESTION THE
MOUNTAIN SPIRIT'S
ORDERS?

THIS
WEAKLING IS
ALL TALK...

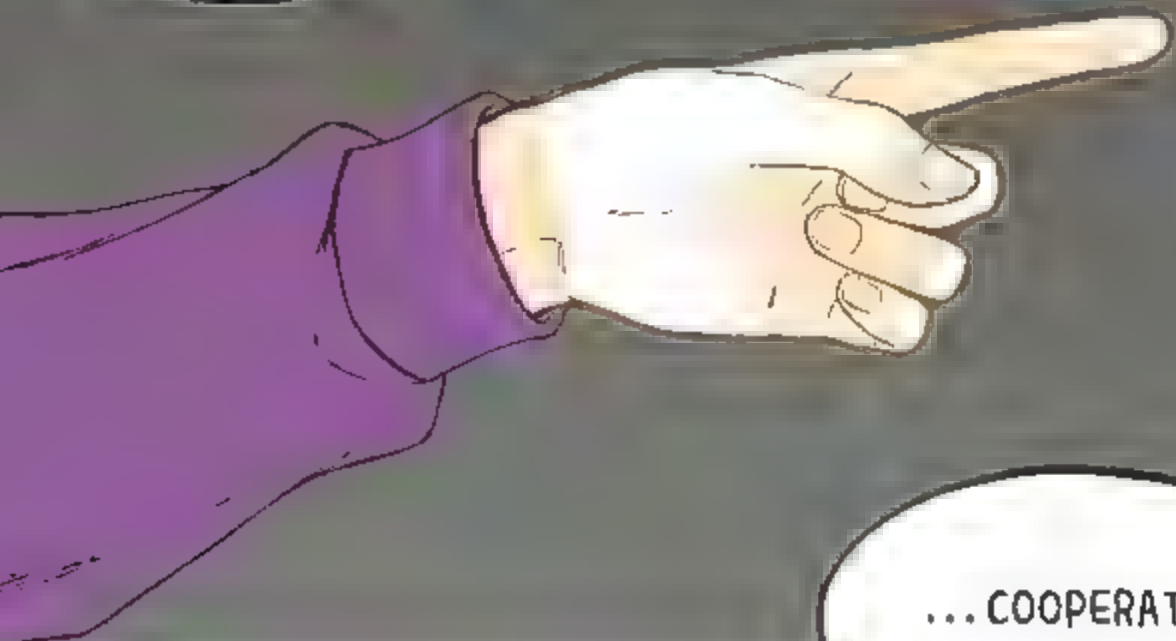
NO,
LISTEN...!





I'LL...

... PUT OUT
THE FIRE!



AS LONG
AS YOU...

... COOPERATE.



STEP
STEP

IS THIS
REALLY GOING
TO WORK?

STEP

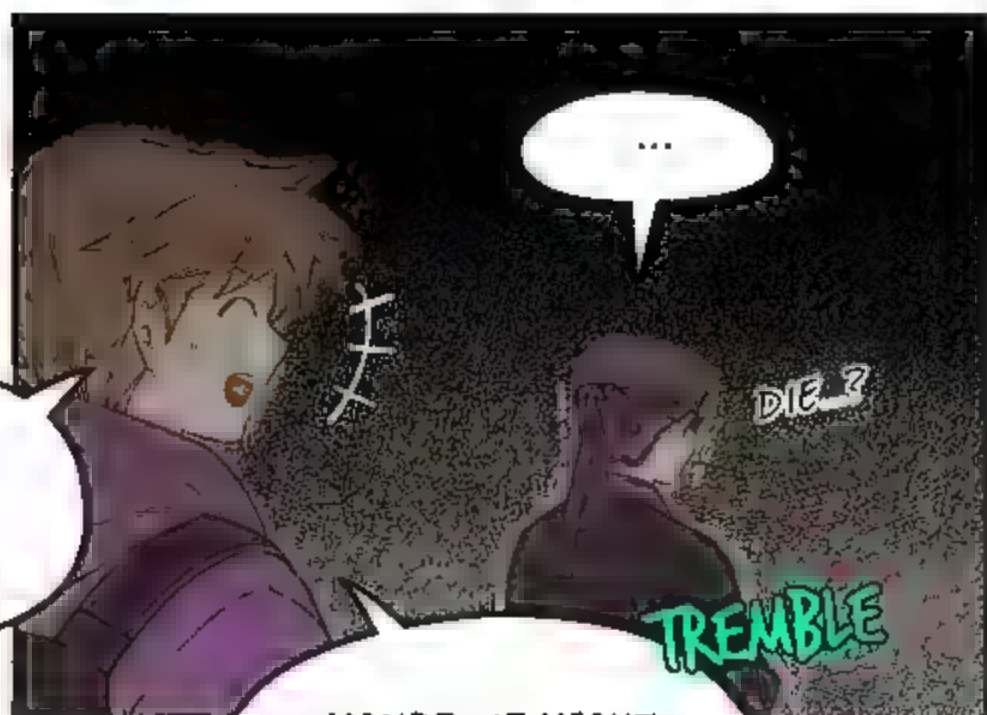
STEP

WE DON'T
HAVE ANY OTHER
CHOICE.

THIS IS NOT
AN ORDER FROM THE
MOUNTAIN SPIRIT, SO IF
THINGS GO WRONG,
WE'LL ALL DIE...



IF YOU DIE
WHILE YOU'RE ON
THE JOB, I BET YOU'D GET
A PRETTY HEFTY
BONUS.



AW,
DON'T BE
SCARED!

MAYBE WE MIGHT
GET A LITTLE HURT,
BUT I DOUBT WE'LL
ACTUALLY DIE!

BY THE
WAY... HOW DID
YOU KNOW WHAT
WE ARE?





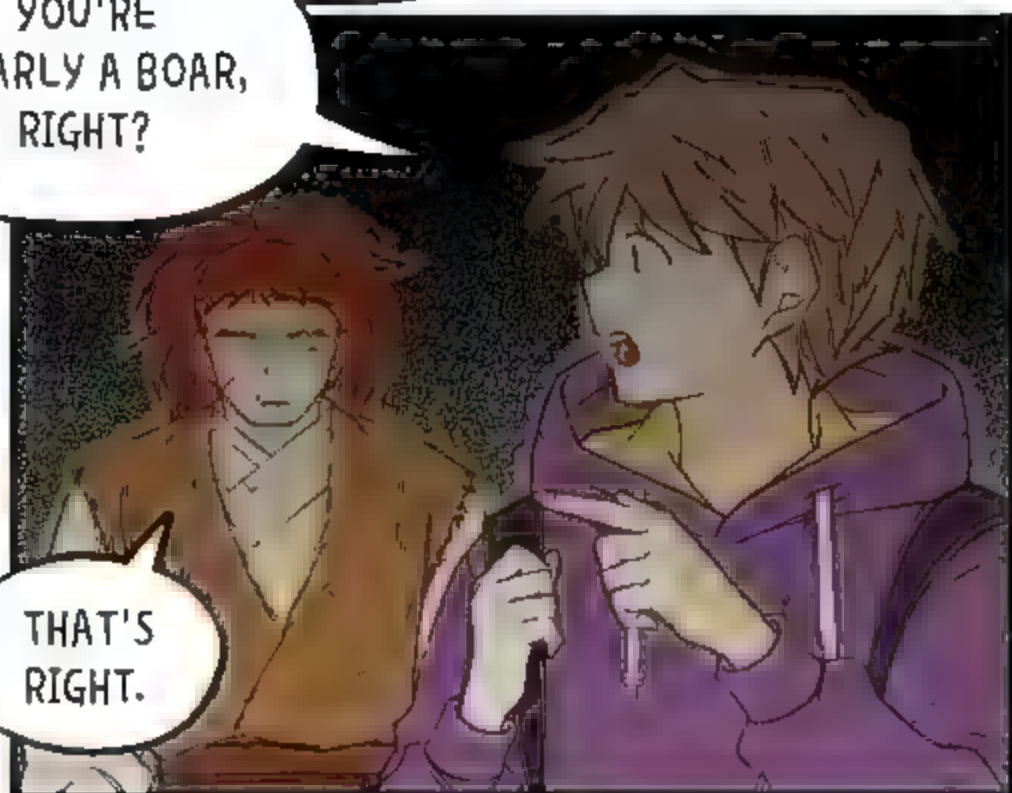
HUH?
OH...

I SAW THOSE
RACOONS OR BADGERS
OR WHATEVER THEY ARE
LEAVING AFTER THEY
HEALED ME.

THIS GUY
IS BIG AND STRONG,
AND HE HAS
TUSKS.

YOU'RE
CLEARLY A BOAR,
RIGHT?

THAT'S
RIGHT.



YOU
HAVE POOR
EYESIGHT AND YOU'RE
SENSITIVE TO
VIBRATIONS,

SO YOU'RE
PERFECT FOR THIS
MISSION!

SUCH WORDS
OF FLATTERY WHEN
YOU ARE FORCING ME TO
DO SOMETHING SO
DANGEROUS...

FORGET
IT.

GRUMBLE



WE'RE HERE.

IT SHOULD
BE AROUND
HERE.



TAKE
IT AWAY!



JEEZ,
THIS KID...



HOW DO
YOU WANT US TO
COOPERATE?



HOW ARE YOU
GOING TO PUT OUT
THE FIRE?

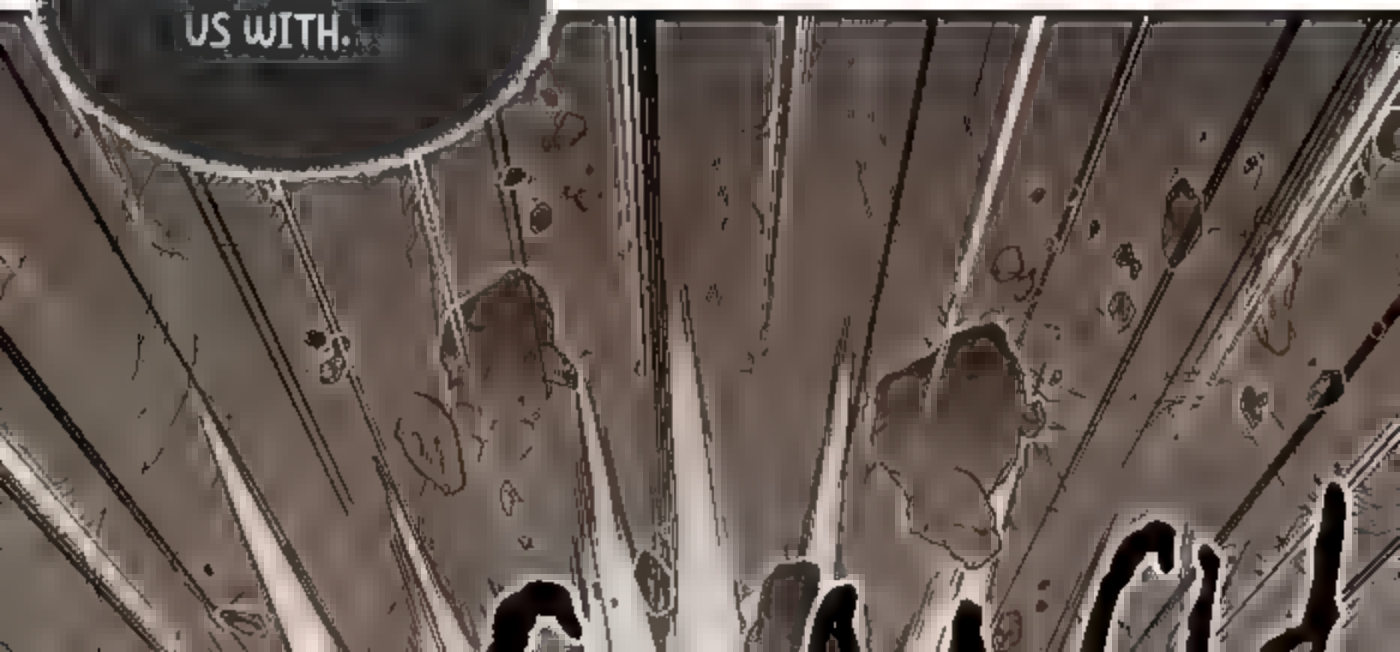
YOU'VE
ALREADY SEALED OFF
THE WAY IN FROM
THE TOP.

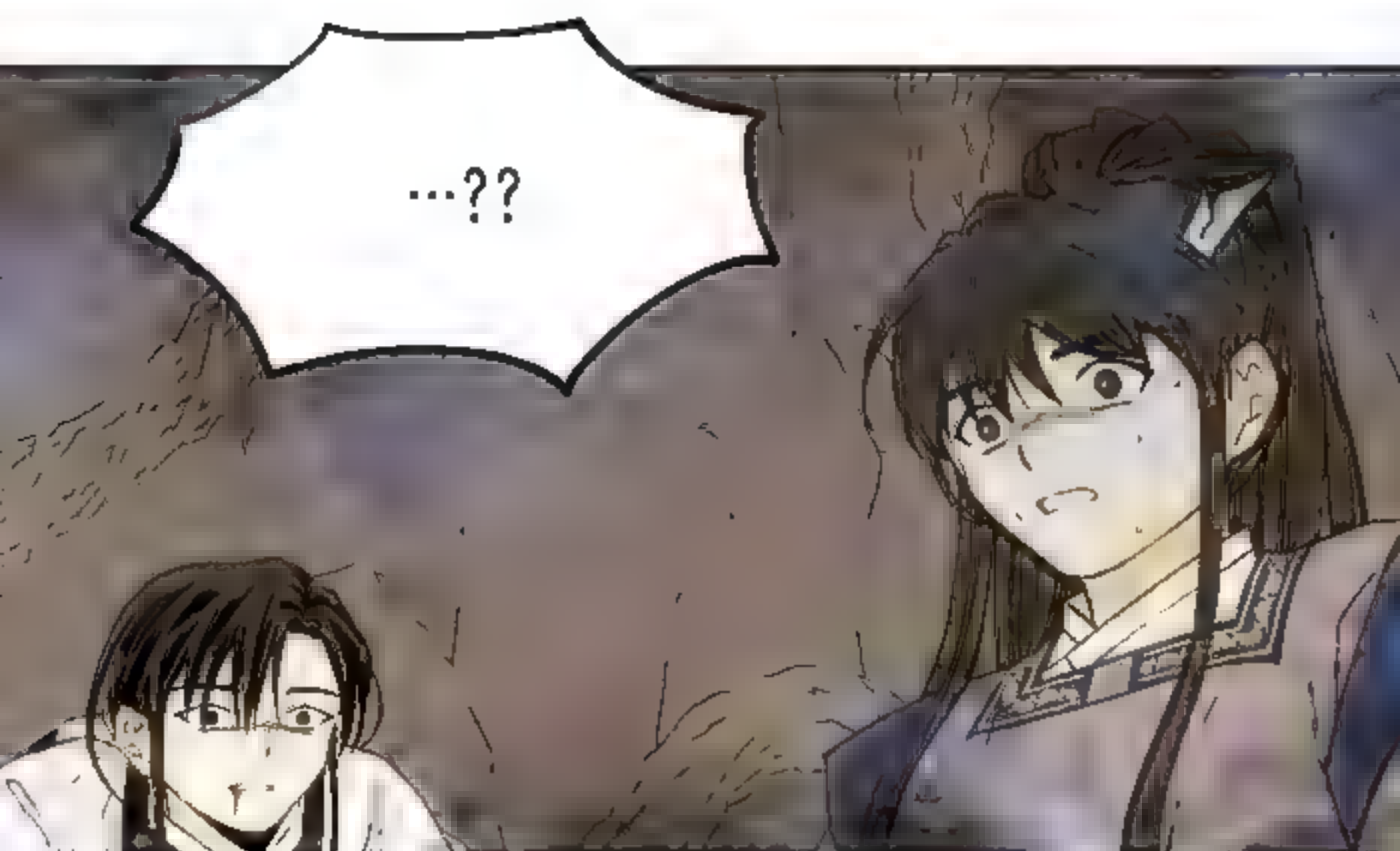
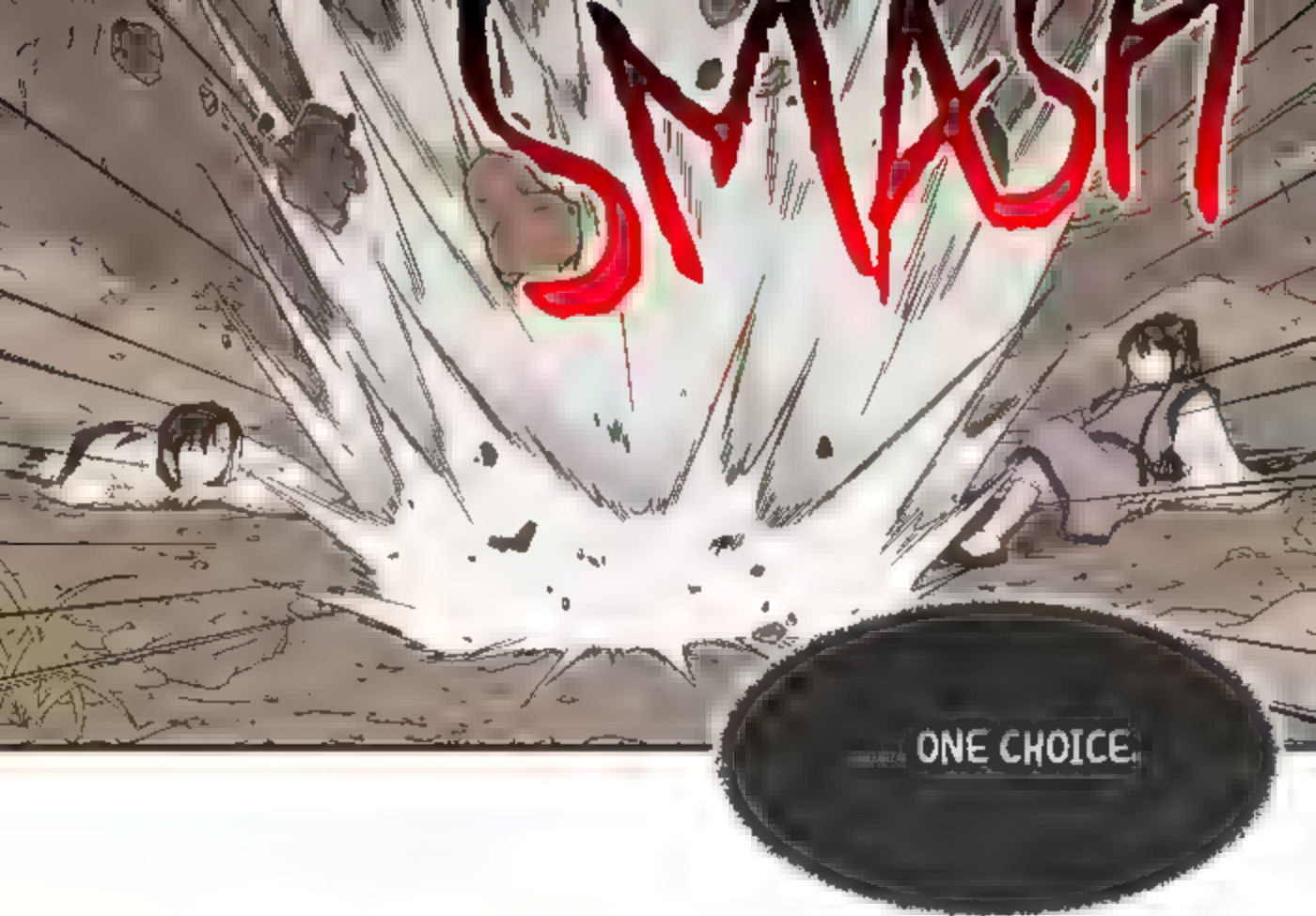


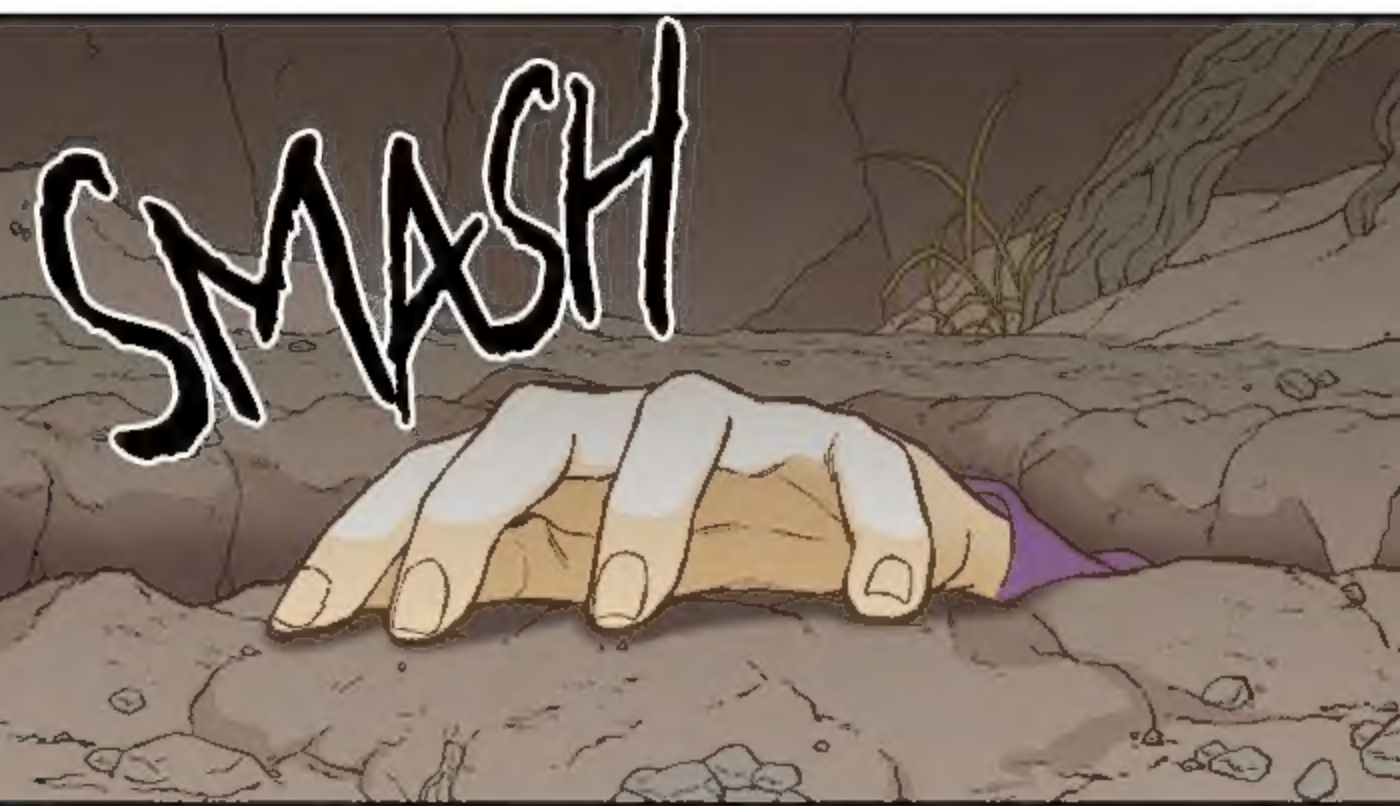


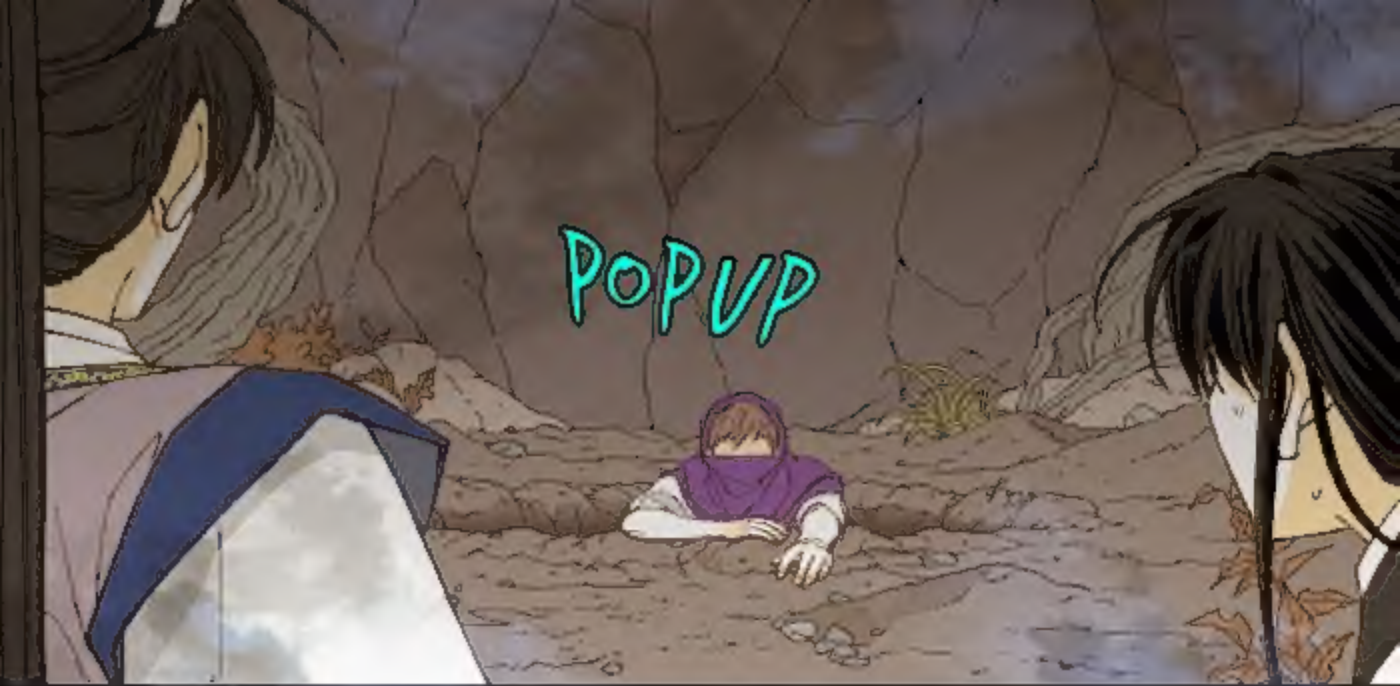
AND
YOU SAID I CAN'T
BREAK THROUGH THE
ROCK FACE BECAUSE
THE SMOKE WILL
COME OUT.

THAT LEAVES
US WITH.













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